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CHAPTER 204.

AN ACT to aid impecunious litigants.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Attorney may contract with client for share of recovery in suit; attorney's lien.

SECTION 1. Any person having, or claiming a right of action against any person or corporation, sounding in tort, or unliquidated damages on contract, may lawfully contract with any attorney to prosecute the same in any court of competent jurisdiction, and by agreement with such attorney, give him a lien upon such cause of action, as security for his fees in the conduct of such litigation. And when such agreement shall be made, and notice thereof given to the opposite party or his attorney, no settlement or adjustment thereof shall be valid, as against the lien so created by said agreement of the party suing, with his attorney. Provided, that such agreement for fees shall be fair and reasonable. And, provided further, that this act shall not be construed as changing the law of this state, as now settled, in respect to champertous contracts.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
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CHAPTER 205.

AN ACT to provide for the purchase and distribution of Sanborn and Berryman's annotated statutes, and to appropriate money therefor.

Recital of facts.

WHEREAS, The legislature of 1889, authorized Messrs. Sanborn and Berryman to prepare and publish, or cause to be published, the public laws